# **BookletChart**

# Connecticut River - Bodkin Rock to Hartford

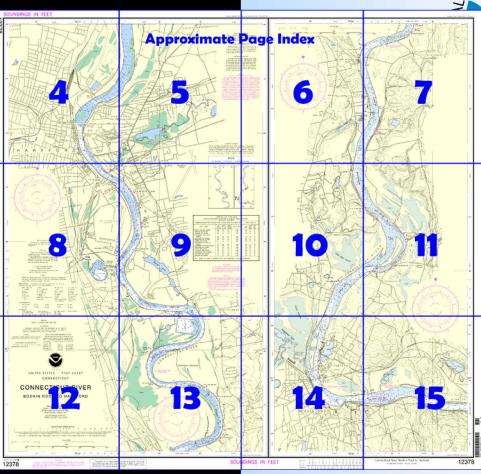
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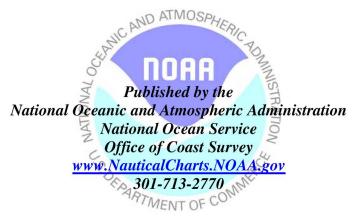
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This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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# **Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



# [Coast Pilot 2, Chapter 8 excerpts]

(111) **Connecticut River** rises in the extreme northern part of New Hampshire,. The head of commercial navigation is at Hartford, about 45 miles from the mouth.

(114) A Federal project for Connecticut River provides for a 15-foot jettied entrance channel and 15-foot dredged cuts across the bars to Hartford, 45 miles above the entrance. (See Notice to Mariners and the latest editions of the charts for controlling depths.) (115) The channel above the jettied entrance channel

usually follows the banks on the outside of the curves of the river, except through the dredged cuts across the bars which are marked by navigational aids.

(154) **Eustasia Island**, 8.5 miles above Saybrook Point, divides the Connecticut River into two channels. A light off the southeast end of the island marks the junction of the two channels. The eastern channel

crossing **Potash Bar** through a dredged cut is better marked and easier to follow. The western channel leads to **Pratt Creek**, westward of the southerly end of Eustasia Island, and to the landing at **Deep River** and thence crosses **Chester Creek Bar** through a swash channel to **Chester Creek**. A sand shoal and a rocky reef, both bare at low water, are north of Eustasia Island, between the main channel east of the island and Chester **Creek** 

(155) In July 1981, it was reported that depths of 15 feet could be carried to the facilities on Pratt Creek and in March 1990, depths to 5 feet were reported to the facilities in Chester Creek. A rock, covered 3 feet, is on the south side of the entrance to Chester Creek in about 41°24'24.1"N., 72°25'46.6"W.

(156) There are several small-craft facilities on Pratt Creek and Chester Creek. Lifts to 25 tons, berths, electricity, gasoline, water, ice, storage, marine supplies, launching ramp, and complete hull and engine repairs are available in the area.

(160) On the east side of the river, the turret of the opera house at **East Haddam**, 13.3 miles above Saybrook Point, is prominent. A marina is on the west side of the river just above the swing bridge between East Haddam and **Tylerville**. Limited guest berths, limited marine supplies, electricity, water, and ice are available. In March 1990, a reported depth of 5 feet was available in the marina basin.

(162) **Salmon Cove**, on the east side of the river, 1 mile above East Haddam, is reported to be navigable only by small craft at high tide. The entrance to the cove is subject to shoaling. Considerable grass in the channel and cove makes boat operation difficult.

(164) A small-craft facility is on the west side of the river about 1.1 miles above East Haddam. Berths, electricity, water, ice, a 10-ton mobile hoist, and a launching ramp are available; hull and engine repairs can be made. In March 1990, a depth of 6 feet was reported at the facility.

(169) A boatyard is on the north side of the river at **Cobalt**, about 3.5 miles above Higganum Creek. Storage facilities and a 15-ton hoist are available. In October 1990, a reported depth of 7 feet could be carried to the facility.

(173) Caution is recommended when rounding the point on the south side of the river, about 1.5 miles above Bodkin Rock, to avoid a submerged crib that extends northward from the point.

(174) **Portland**, 26.3 miles above Saybrook Point, has several boatyards with marine railways; the largest railway can handle craft to 60 feet for engine and hull repairs. Gasoline, water, berths with electricity, ice, storage facilities, marine supplies, a pump-out station, launching ramps, and lifts to 50 tons are available at Portland. In March 1990, depths of 7 to 9 feet were reported available.

(175) Berthing and water are available at Harbor Park in **Middletown**, across the river from Portland. Depths of 18 feet are reported to be available along the wharves.

(176) Two small-craft facilities are on the east side of the river at **Gildersleeve**, about 2.5 miles above Portland. Gasoline, diesel fuel, berths with electricity, water, ice, storage facilities, marine supplies, a launching ramp, and 15- and 35-ton lifts are available, and hull and engine repairs can be made.

(178) A marina on the east side of the river opposite Belamose has gasoline, berths, electricity, water, ice, marine supplies, and a 15-ton lift; engine and hull repairs can be made. In July 1983, the privately marked channel into the marina basin had a reported controlling depth of 7 feet. (179) At **Rocky Hill,** 1 mile above Belamose, a seasonal vehicular ferry crosses the river to South Glastonbury. A small-craft launching ramp is just above the ferry landing.

(182) **Wethersfield Cove**, on the west side of the river 14 miles above Portland, is entered through a narrow dredged channel that leads to a dredged anchorage basin about 0.3 mile above the entrance. In 1986, the controlling depth was 4.9 feet (5.1 feet at midchannel); thence in 1983, 6 feet were available in the basin. The channel is marked by daybeacons.

The **speed limit** in the channel and cove is 5 knots. Ice, transient berthing, and some supplies can be obtained at the yacht club on the south side of the cove. A town marina is on the east side of the cove.

# HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 2 for important supplemental information.

# CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

# PLANE COORDINATE GRID

(based on NAD 1927) Connecticut State Grid is indicated by dotted ticks at 10,000 foot intervals.

## BADAR BEELECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

# POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous sub-stances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (foll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

# AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

# CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Notice to Mariners. During some winter months or when endan-gered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

# HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.359 northward and 1.680" eastward to agree with this chart.

# WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

# NOAA VHF-FM WEATHER BROADCASTS

The National Weather Service stations listed below provide continuous marine weather broadcasts. The range of reception is variable, but for most stations is usually 20 to 40 miles from the antenna site.

Hartford, CT WXJ-41 162.475 MHz
Meriden, CT WXJ-42 162.40 MHz
Montville, CT KHB-47 162.55 MHz
Riverhead, NY WXM-80 162.475 MHz

NOTE Z

NO-DISCHARGE ZONE, 40 CFR 140

This chart falls entirely within the limits of a No-Discharge Zone (NDZ). Under the Clean Water Act, Section 312, all vessels operating within a No-Discharge Zone (NDZ) are completely prohibited from discharging any sewage, treated or untreated, into the waters. All vessels with an installed or untreated, into the waters. All vessels with an installed marine sanitation device (MSD) that are navigating, moored, anchored, or docked within a NDZ must have the MSD disabled to prevent the overboard discharge of sewage (treated or untreated) or install a holding tank. Regulations for the NDZ are contained in the U.S. Coast Pliot. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EFA) web site: http://www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/regulatory/vessel\_sewage/.

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S.
Coast Pilot 2. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning
the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 1st Coast Guard District in Boston, MA or at the
Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in
Concord, MA,
Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography (surveys of 1969) and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U. S. Coast Guard.

NOTE: The Mean range of the tide between Hadlyme and Higganum during low river stages is about 2½ feet. The range becomes progressively smaller with higher stages of the river.

# **Table of Selected Chart Notes**

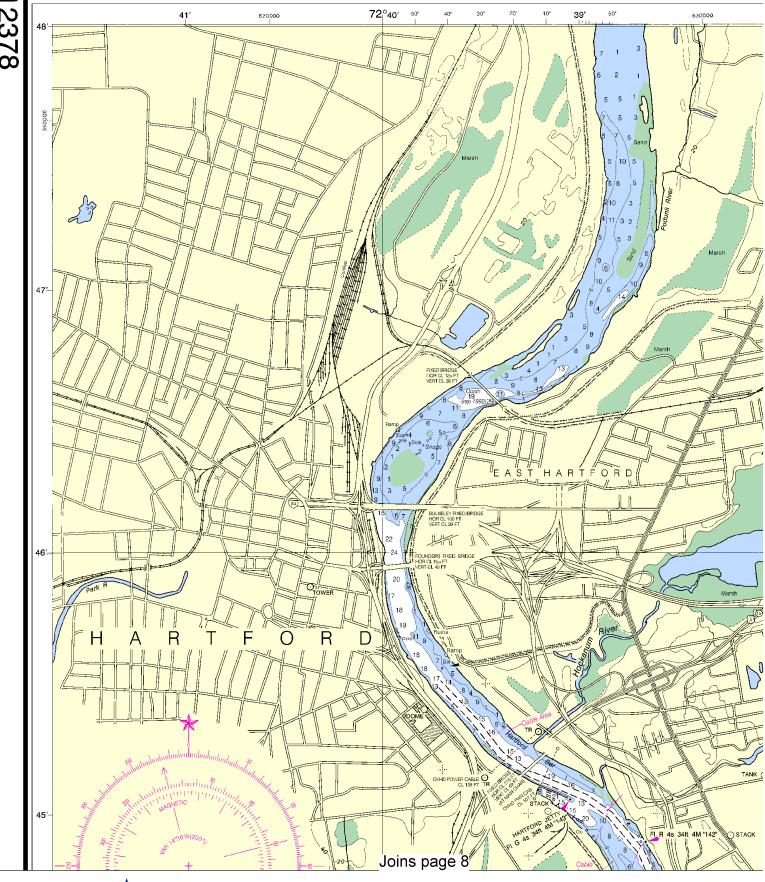
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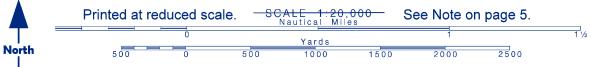
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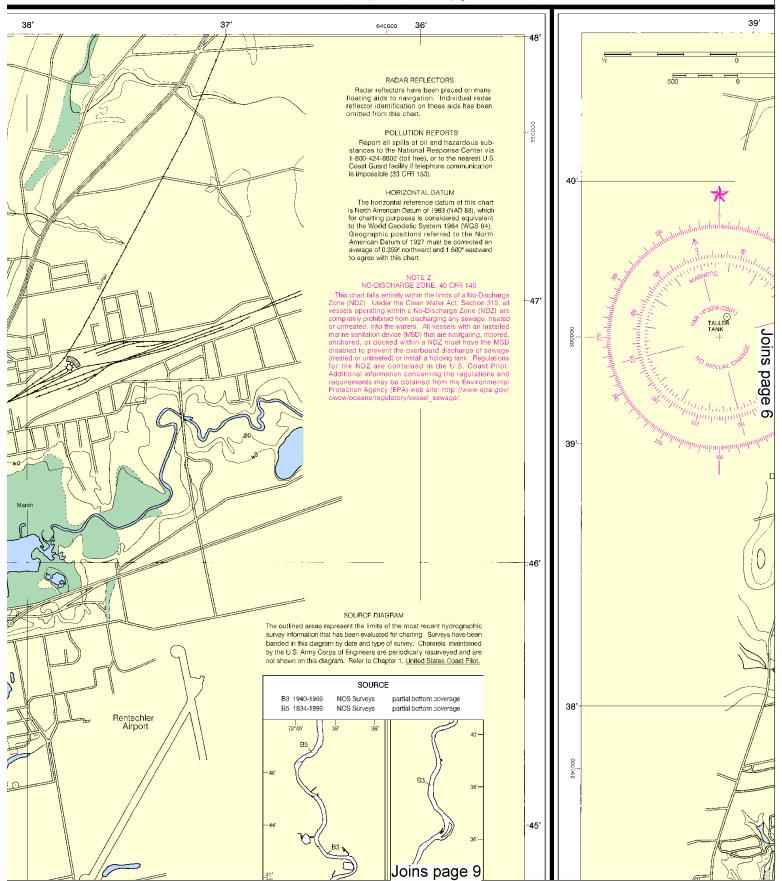
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MOUSE ISLAND BAR CHANNEL	16.2	13.9	12.4	11-99	150	0.7	15
PORTLAND BAR CHANNEL	11.9	11.7	13.0	11-99	150	0.3	15
CROMWELL BAR CHANNEL	14.1	12.4	11.8	8-02	150	0.6	15
GILDERSLEEVE ISLAND SHOAL							
CHANNEL	14.0	13.9	15.1	11-99	150	0.9	15
PISTOL POINT BAR CHANNEL	10.0	10.6	11.1	11-04	150	1.0	15
BROWNSTONE BAR CHANNEL	14.5	13.2	12.2	8-02	150	0.9	15
DIVIDEND BAR CHANNEL	8.1	8.2	8.6	11-99	150	0.6	15
GLASTONBURY-TWO PIERS BAR							
CHANNEL	11.7	12.6	13.4	11-99	150	1.2	15
GLASTONBURY UPPER BAR CHANNEL	13.2	12.5	12.7	11-99	150	0.9	15
PRESS BARN BAR CHANNEL	14.5	13.9	13.8	11-99	150	0.1	15
NAUBUC BAR CHANNEL	13.4	13.2	13.0	11-99	150	0.5	15
CYS HOLLOW BAR CHANNEL	17.0	15.7	14.4	11-99	150	0.5	15
WETHERSFIELD SHOAL CHANNEL	11.9	12.2	13.7	11-99	150	0.4	15
CLAY BANKS BAR CHANNEL	11.6	11.8	12.5	11-99	150	1.6	15
HARTFORD BAR CHANNEL	9.4	9.8	10.5	11-99	150	0.4	15

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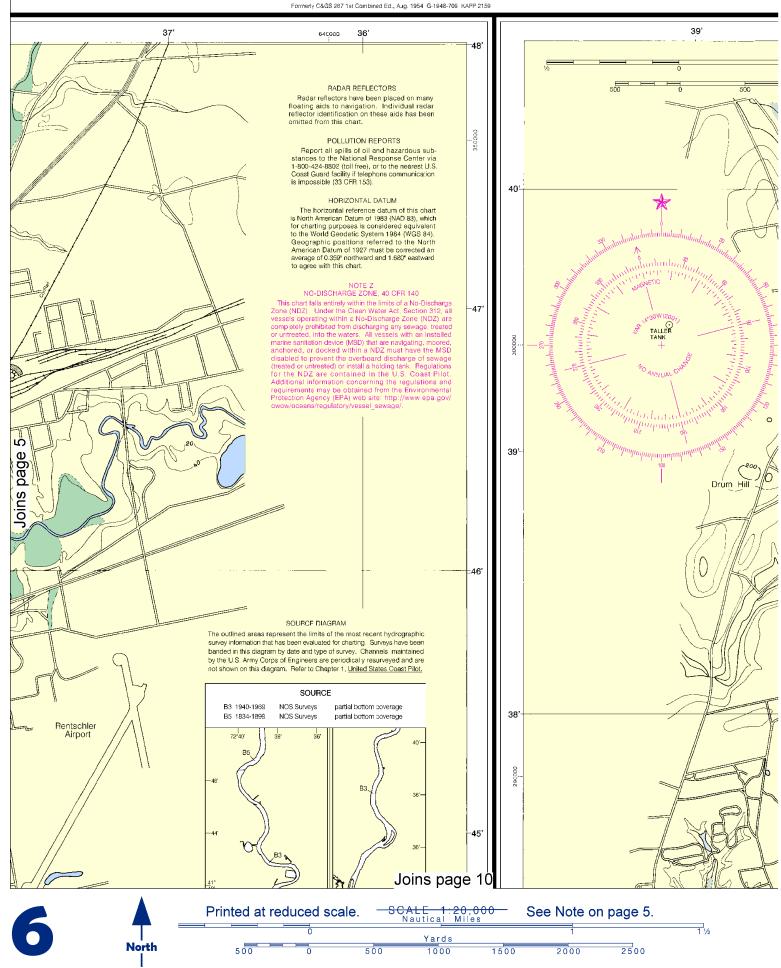


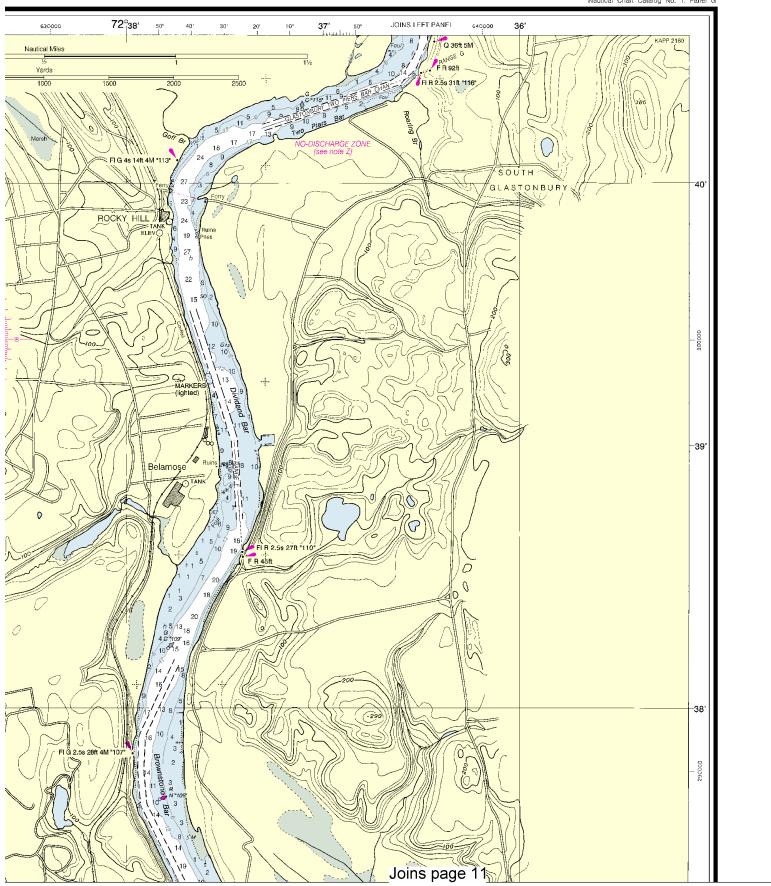


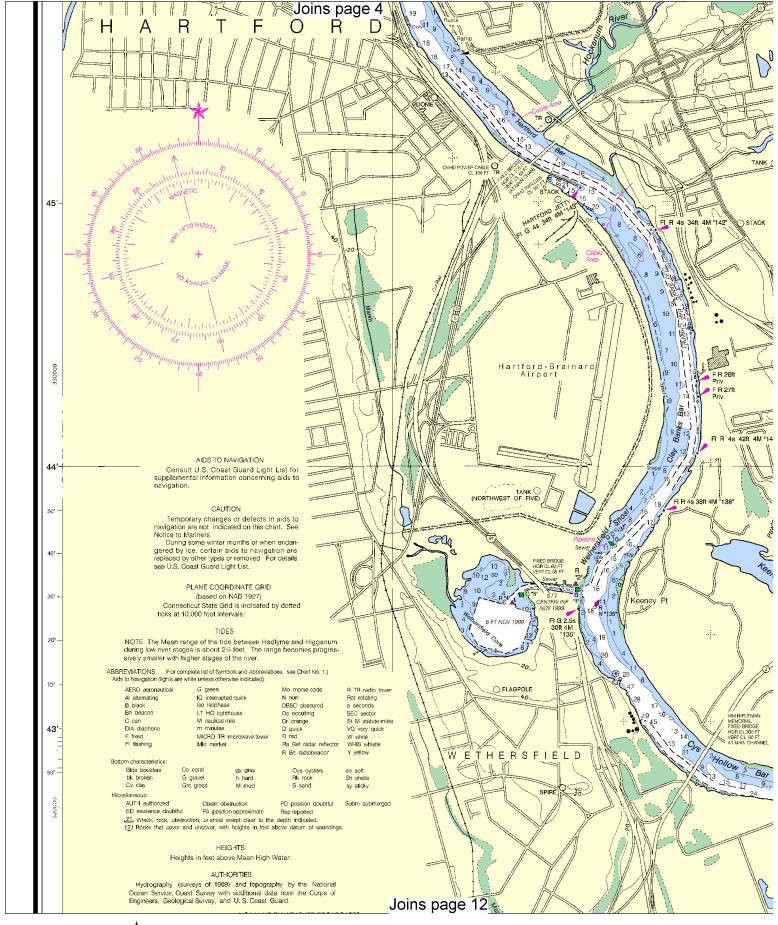




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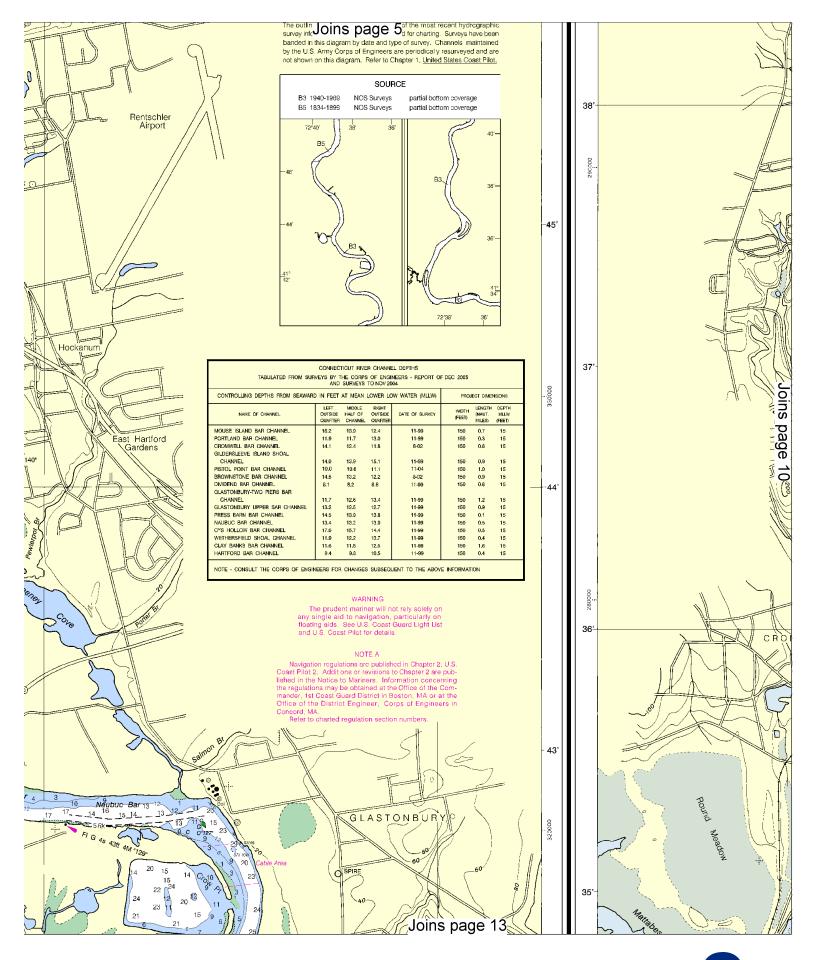


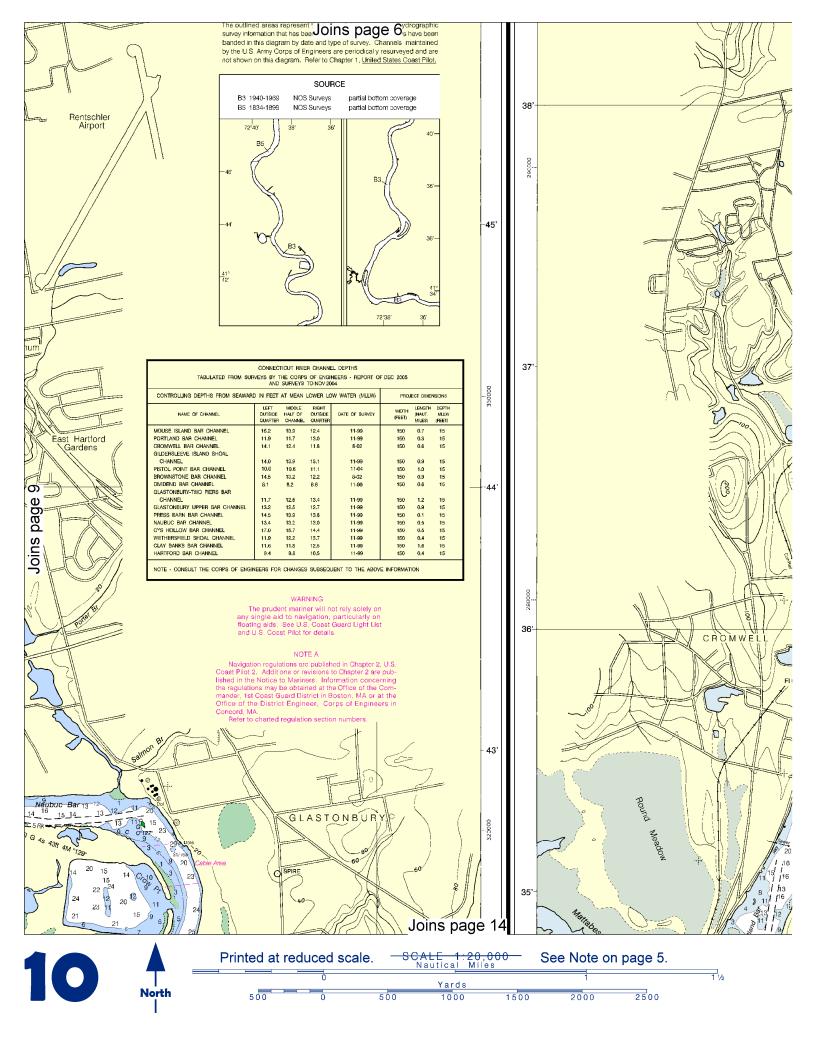


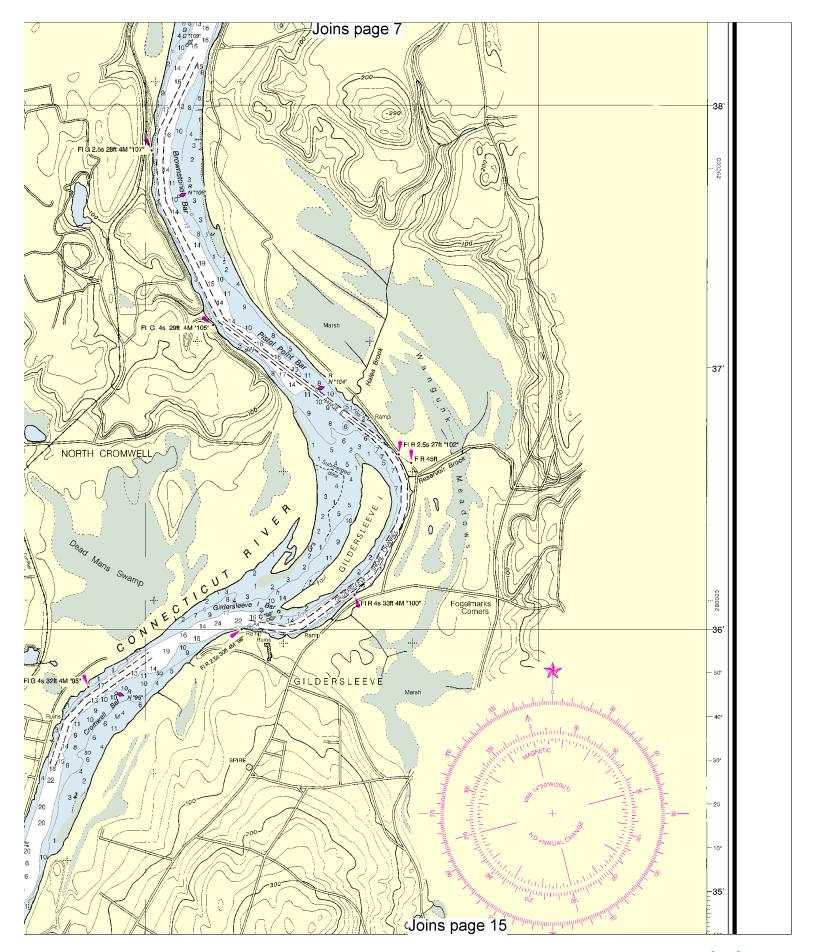


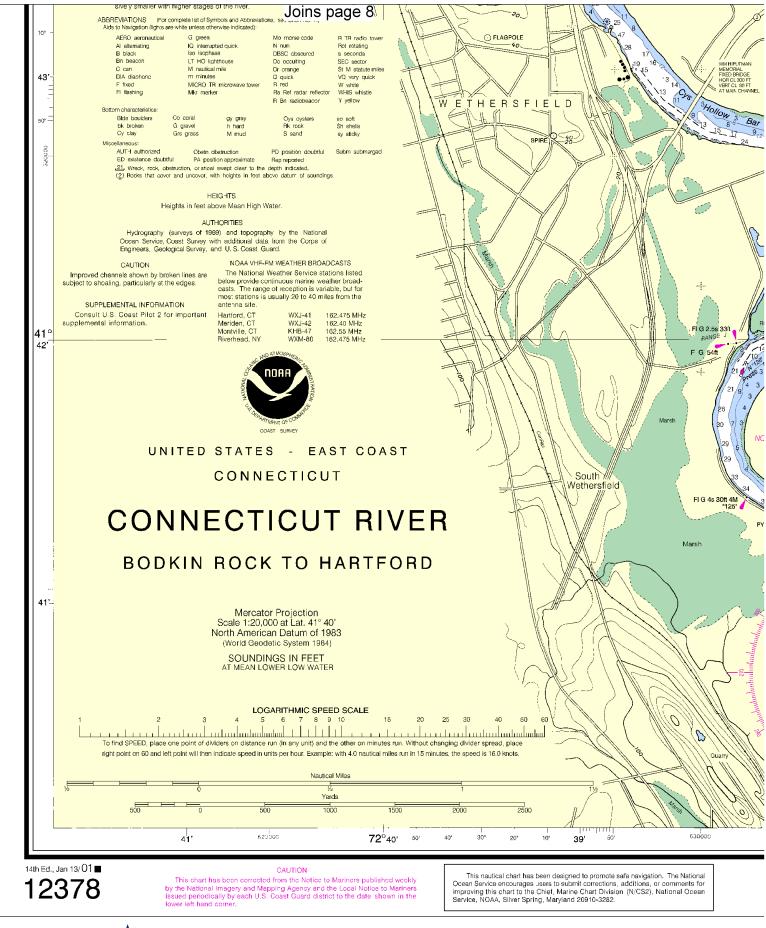






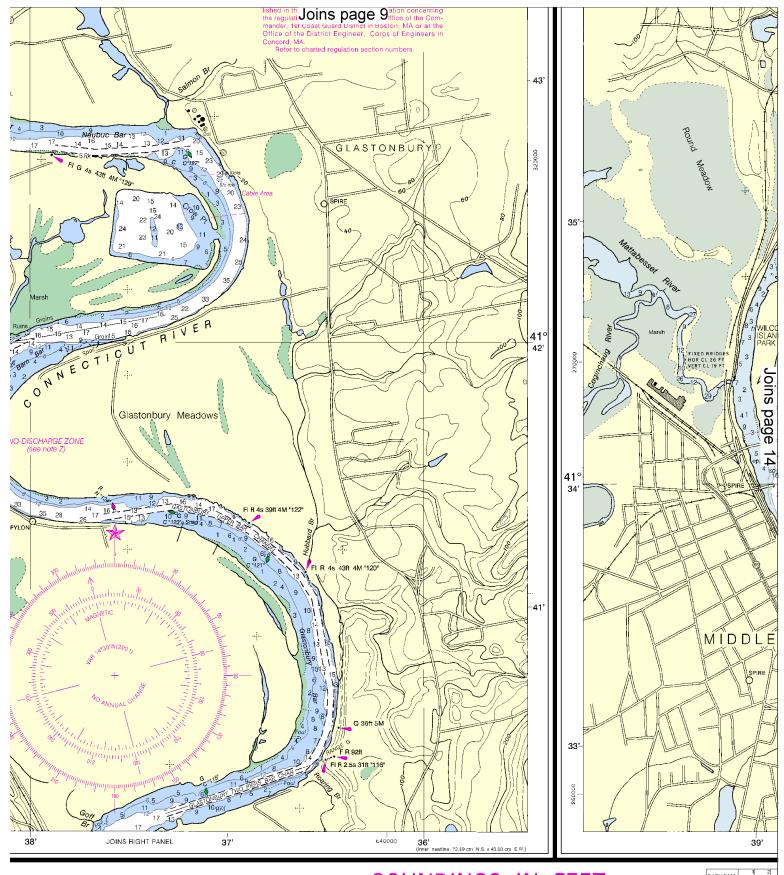






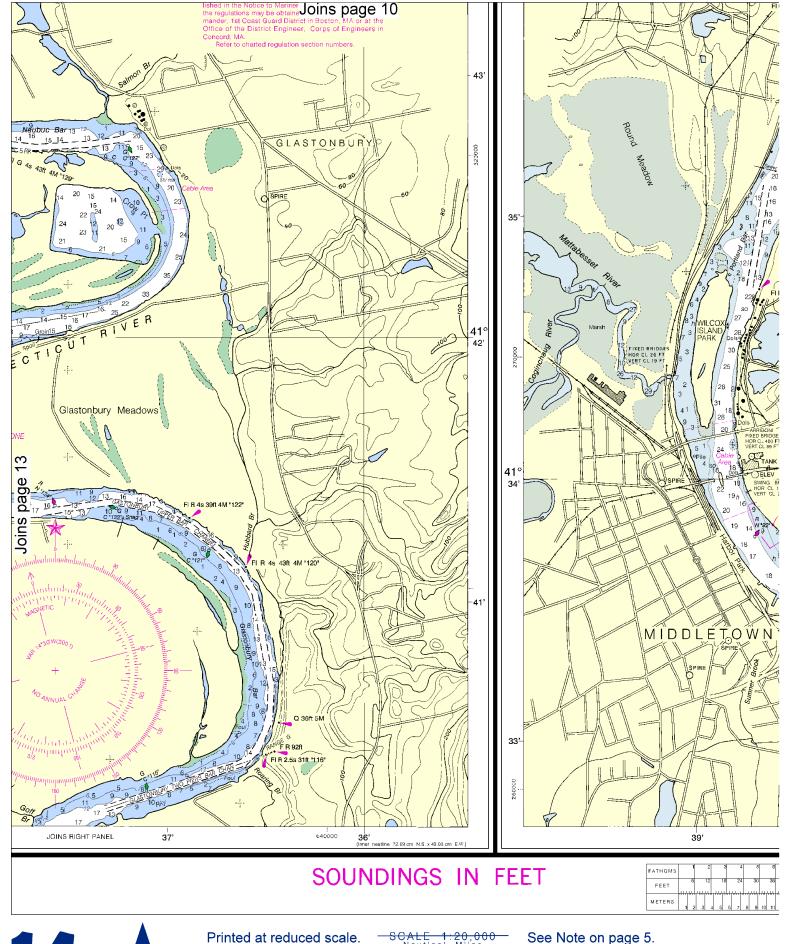




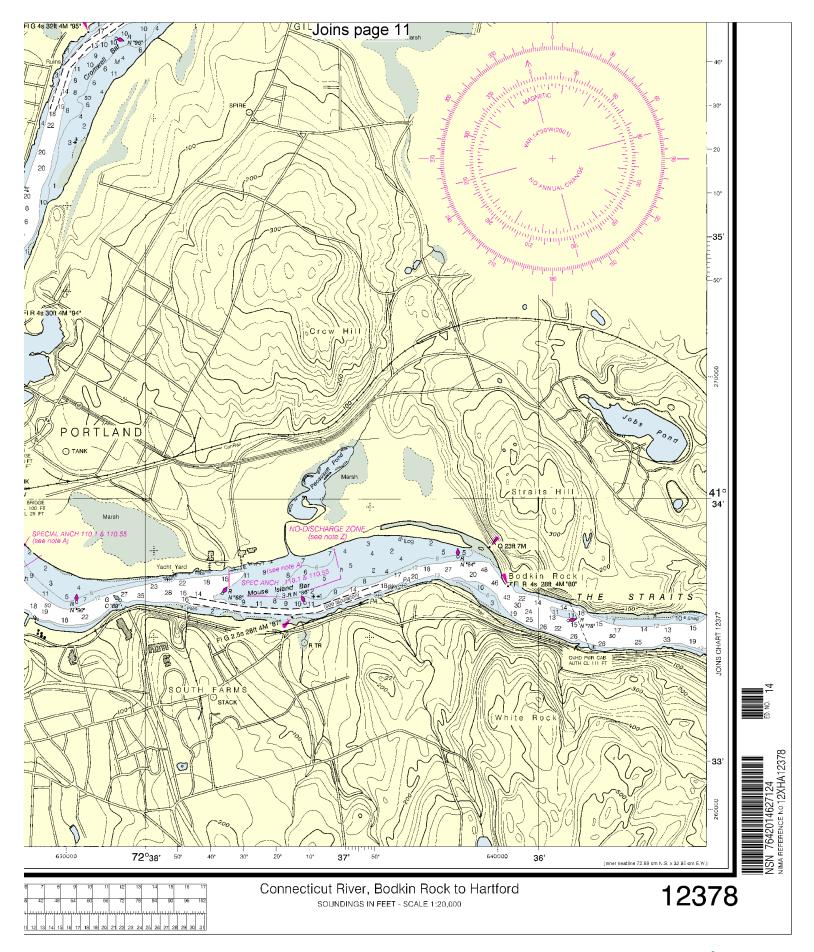


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# **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

# VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

# Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

# **Distress Call Procedures**

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

# HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

**Mobile Phones** – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Group MSO LI Sound – 203-468-4404 Coast Guard New London – 860-442-4471 Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd – 757-398-6390

<u>NOAA Weather Radio</u> – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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